HATCHERY PRODUCTION
March 1960



## Chick Production

The production of broiler-type chicks by commercial hatcheries during March totaled 175, 360, 000--down 4 percent from March 1959. Production of egg-type chicks totaled 72, 782, 000--down 38 percent from March 1959. The production of egg-type chicks was the smallest for the month since records began in 1955. The previous low for the month was in March 1957 when 109, 404, 000 egg-type chicks were hatched. Production of egg-type chicks was very low during the first three months of 1960, totaling 134, 305, 000, compared with 215, 073, 000 during this period in 1959--a decrease of 37 percent. Production of broiler-type chicks totaled 496, 556, 000 January through March 1960, compared with 487, 652, 000 during this period in 1959--an increase of 2 percent.

Hatchery reports on eggs in incubators April 1 indicate that the hatch of egg-type chicks during April will be considerably less than the hatch in April 1959. The hatch of broiler-type chicks will also be less than in April last year.

## Poult Production

The number of heavy white-breed poults produced during March was up 34 percent from March 1959. Production of other heavy breeds, mostly broad breasted bronze was up 17 percent. Heavy white-breed poults totaled 2,640,000, compared with 1,964,000 in March 1959. Other heavy breed poults totaled 10,900,000, compared with 9,307,000 in March 1959. The number of light breed poults hatched during March totaled 958,000, compared with 1,769,000 in March last year--a decrease of 46 percent. The number of heavy breed poults hatched during the first 3 months of 1960 was 29 percent larger than a year earlier. Hatch of heavy white-breed poults was up 27 percent and other heavy breeds was up 30 percent. Production of light breed poults during January through March 1960 was down 51 percent from the same period in 1959.

Turkey eggs in incubators on April 1 indicate that the number of heavy white-breed poults hatched in April will be larger but that the number of other heavy poults will be smaller than in April last year. The light breed poult hatch in April will be considerably smaller than a year earlier.

State and   March   January through March   Jarch
Annotes
Thousands
Maine 5,357 5,305 14,873 14,309 692 464 N. H. 1,472 1,123 4,065 3,076 616 290 Vt. 8 0 38 0 53 52 Mass 1,217 957 3,641 2,583 1,900 1,480 R.I. 271 285 749 724 32 28 Com 3,688 3,027 10,653 8,428 1,572 222 N.E. 12,013 10,697 34,019 29,120 4,872 3,243 N. Y. 757 880 2,032 2,335 2,518 1,940 N.A. 5,087 4,511 12,944 13,276 6,197 4,910 M.A. 6,285 5,972 15,754 16,968 6,690 1,444 111 1,379 757 3,622 2,097 7,158 4,743 Mich 5,300 450 1,500 4,596 4,475 3,203 2,235 E.N.C 11,487 10,179 29,552 28,910 25,111 16,322 Mim 330 480 875 1,280 11,500 5,260 10 M. Color 1,500 10 M. Color 1,500 1,5
N. H. 1,472
Mass.
Conn.
N.E.   12,013   10,697   34,019   29,120   4,872   3,243   1,940   1,130   730   3,540   2,460   4,680   2,600   2,600   2,460   4,680   2,600   2,600   2,460   4,680   2,600   2,460   4,680   2,600   2,600   2,460   4,680   2,600
N. Y.
Pa
M.A.
Ind. 6,285 5,972 15,754 16,966 6,690 4,444 111. 1,379 757 3,622 2,097 7,158 4,743 Mich. 530 450 1,620 1,370 2,200 1,600 Wis. 1,603 1,500 4,596 4,475 3,203 2,235 E.N.C. 11,487 10,179 29,952 28,910 25,111 16,322 Minn. 330 480 875 1,280 11,500 7,450 Iowa. 460 375 1,095 12,450 7,450 Mo 6,644 5,633 17,536 17,461 5,469 2,477 N. Dak 2/2/2/2/2/3,647 2,000 Nebr. 155 106 342 2/45 4,935 2,679
Ill
Mich.       530       450       1,620       1,370       2,200       1,600         Wis.       1,603       1,500       4,596       4,475       3,203       2,235         E.N.C.       11,487       10,179       29,952       28,910       25,111       16,322         Minn.       330       480       875       1,280       11,500       5,200         Iowa.       460       375       1,095       1,095       12,450       7,450         Mo.       6,644       5,633       17,536       17,461       5,469       2,477         N. Dak       2/       2/       2/       811       350         S. Dak       2/       2/       2/       3,647       2,000         Nebr       155       106       342       245       4,935       2,679
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Iowa       460       375       1,095       1,095       12,450       7,450         Mo       6,644       5,633       17,536       17,461       5,469       2,477         N. Dak       2/       2/       2/       2/       811       350         S. Dak       2/       2/       2/       3,647       2,000         Nebr       155       106       342       245       4,935       2,679
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167
Kans3/8,075 3/6,910 3/20,942 3/20,925 2,909 1,800 22,956
Del
Md 8,829 11,374 24,068 33,118 342 189
Va       8,482       6,774       21,877       20,171       1,521       965         W. Va       1,104       763       2,883       2,329       2/       2/
N. C: 13,976 13,704 37,264 37,957 2,207 1,153
S. C: 1,877 1,816 5,365 5,324 851 594
Ga
F1a: 1,768 1,768 4,803 4,789 1,457 1,049 S.A: 75,607 74,468 200,601 211,613 4/ 9,599 47 5,056 Ky: 1,720 1,300 4,265 3,500 1,045 500
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Ala 14,495 15,818 30,974 41,779 1,058 494
M188 10.421 10.695 27.414 30.772 050 305
E.S.C
La 2.421 1.669 6.531 5.041 498 385
La
W.S.C: 29,468 26,497 77,914 76,508 6,923 4,439
rone. and :
N. Mex. 2/: 26 60 48 79 487 295 Idaho: 372 394 987 1,008 563 340
Wyo.&Ariz.2/ 70 63 185 178 260 193
Colo       91       91       193       189       668       386         Utah       193       210       521       607       504       400
Mount 752 818 1,934 2,061 2,482 1,614 Wash 1,444 3,910 3,896 1,411 1,195
Oreg       1,487       1,545       4,073       931       596         Calif       5,464       5,258       15,046       14,778       6,638       5,282         Pac       8,395       8,157       23,181       22,747       0,980       7,073         U.S       183,457       175,360       407,652       496,556       117,836       72,782
Calif       5,464       5,258       15,046       14,778       6,638       5,282         Pac       8,395       8,157       23,181       22,747       0,980       7,073         U. S       183,457       175,360       407,652       496,556       117,836       72,782
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cludes Delaware and West Virsinia 2 -

		ks hatched	by commerc	cial hatch		tinued)	
State	Egg-		•	larch	Total	Tomasone	through Man
and		hrough Mar. 1960 1/		: 1959	: 1960 1/	: 1959	through Mar. : 1960 1/
division	:Thousands		1954-58 Thousands			Thousands	
Maine	: 1,705	1,235	3,866	6,049	5,769	16,578	15,544
N.H.	: 1,340	670	2,808	2,088	1,413	5,405	3,746
Vt.	: 129	116	130	61	52	167	116
Mass.	: 4,606	3,416	3,658	3,117	2,437	8,247	5,999
R.I.	136	50 2,397	258 5,744	303 5,267	313 3,956	885 14,422	10,825
Conn. N.E.	11,685	7,884	16,463	16,885	13,940	45,704	37,004
N.Y.	5,837	4,470	4,076	3,275	2,820	7,869	6,805
N.J.	10,130	5,100	7,175 11,574	5,810	3,330 9,421	13,670 27,234	7,560
Pa.	13,290	10,099		11,284			23,375
M.A.	29,257	19,669	22,925	20, <b>3</b> 69	15,571	48,773	37,740
Ohio	10,020	5,900 7,877	9,754 15,298	7,550 12,975	4,800 10,416	14,380 26,818	9,900 24,845
Ind.	: 11,986	8,553	12,550	8,537	5,500	15,608	10,650
Mich.	: 4.300	2,710 3,103	4.638	2,730	2,050	5,920 9,324	4,080
Wis.	: 4,728		5,034		3,735		7,578
E.N.C.	42,098 15,475	28,143 7,830	47,275 13,209	36,598 11,830	26,501 6,680	72,050 16,350	57,053
Minn. Iowa	18,030	9,600	16,097	12,910	7,825	19,125	9,110 10,595
Mo.	7,492	3,694	13,578	12,113	8,110	25,028	21,155
N.Dak.	893	376	2/	2/	<u>2</u> /.	2/	2/
S.Dalt.	: 4,449	2,382	2/		2/	2/	2/
Nebr.	7,485	3,783	6,409	5,090 3,376	2,785	7,827 5,148	4,028
Kans. W.N.C.	4,077 57,901	2,630 30,295	5,500 3/59,308	3,370	2,100	3/78,843	3,450 3/51,220
Del.	: 2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Md.	: Zi,0	<i>=/</i> 352		=/ 9,171	<u>=</u> / 11,563	24,717	33,470
Va.	: 2,884 : 2/	1,557	7,103 8,198	10,003	7,39	24,7,61	21,7,28
W.Va.	: 2/	2/	2/	2/	<u>2/</u> 14,867	2/	2/
N.C. S.C.	: 4,375 : 1,885	2,171 1,341	10,526 1,872	15,183 2,728	2,410	41,639 7,250	40,128 6,665
Ga.		2,885	21,234	35, 773	33,225	92,011	93,376
Fla.	; 7,229 ; 3,838	3,103	3,180	3,225	2,817	8,641	7,892
S.A.	.3/21,250	3/11,554	3/59,677	3/85,206	3/79,524	3/221,851	3/223,167
Ку.	: 1,605	850	2,647 3,859 7,243	2,765	1,800 4,950	5,870 14,390 39,744	4,350 12,950
Tenn.	3,450 2,770	2,400 1,329	7,243	5,850 15,553	16,312	39.744	43,108
Miss.	: 1,993	894	5,414	11,271	11,080	29,407	31,666
E.S.C.	9,818	5,473	19,163	35,439	34,142	89,411	92,074
Ark.	1,987	719	9,016	15,964	14,368	41,778	40,770
Ia.	1,141	812	1,375	2,919	2,054	7,672	5,853
Okla. Texas	2,090 10,286	1,665 6,405	2,912 13,081	2,245	1,605 12,909	4,910	3,695 35,791
W.S.C.	: 15,504	9,601	26,384	36,391	30,936	93,418	86,109
Mont.&N.Me	x.2/675	431	668	513	355	723	510
Idaho	: _ 999	431 566	889	935	355 734	1,986	1,574
Wyo.&Ariz.	2/ 588	433	288	330	256	773	611
Colo. Utah	1,147	722 826	1,147 666	759 607	477 610	1,340	911
Nev.	: 1,052	020	000	697		1,573	1,433
Mount.	4,461	2,978	3,658	3,234	2,432	6,395	5,039
Wash.	3,576	2,942	2,949	2,855	2,549	7,486	6,838
Oreg.	1,857	1,397	2,274	2,418	2,141	6,082	5,470
Calif.	17,666	14,869	11,384	12,102	10,540	32,712	29,647
Pac.	23,099	19,208 134,805	16,607	17,375	15,230	45,280	41,955
U.S.	215,073	134,005	271,461	301,29 <b>3</b>	248,142	702,725	631,361

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Baby chicks and turkey poults: Average prices paid to commercial hatcheries,
March 1. 1960

March 1, 1960								
State	: Ba	aby chicks, p	per 100	: Turke	y poults,	each		
and	: Broiler	: Egg-type	e pullets	: Heavy	breeds	* 7. 3.1		
division	: breeds	: Pure	: Incross breeds	: White	Other	Light		
arvision	:straight run	: breeds :	: (hybrids)	:	·	breeds		
	: Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Ct.	Ct.	Ct.		
Maine	: 1/ 11.5	32.5						
N.H.	: 11.0	36.5		88				
Vt.	:	35.0		<b>100</b> ↔ ↔				
Mass.	: 11.5	37.5		89	90	70		
R.I.	: 1/11.5	32.5		89				
Conn.	: 1/11.5	32.5		89	90			
N.E.	: 11.5	35.0	===	88.8	90.0			
N.Y.	: 12.0	40.0	56.0	84	80	65		
N.J.	: 15.0	36.5	52.0 48.5	80	90 1/ 100	75		
Pa.	: 1/11.5	37.5	48.8	1/ 95 87.5	T/ T00	1/60		
M.A.	: 12.1	37.7			97.5	61.0		
Ohio	: 11.5	36.5	54.0	70	76 70	50 45		
Ind.	: 1/11.0 : 1/13.5	30.0 34.0	50.0 51.0	55 66	70 75	4) 50		
Mich.	: <u>I</u> / 13.5 : 13.5	35.5	54.0	70	75 67	55		
Wis.	: 13.5	35.0	52.0	55	68	52 55 45		
E.N.C.	11.8	34.5	52.1	61.5	70.1	49.3		
Minn.	11.0	37.0	50.0		1/60			
Iowa	13.5	39.0	54.0	ī/ 60	Ī/ 65	1/ 37 1/ 40		
Mo.	: 1/ 8.6	28.5	50.0	1/ 54 1/ 60 1/ 65	1/ 70	1/ 37 1/ 40 1/ 43		
N.Dak.	: 18.5	35.6	49.5	<u>I</u> / 65 60	= 60	=/ 50		
S.Dak.	: 17.0	33.5	50.0		65			
Nebr.	: 16.0	33.0	50.0	66	71	60		
Kans.	: 11.0	31.0	53.0	69	69			
W.N.C.	9.4	34.7	51.1	56.3	63.7	39.3		
Del.	: 1/, 11.0		49.5					
Md.	: $\underline{\overline{1}}/11.0$	34.0	56.0	69	73			
Va. <u>1</u> /	: 11.0	39.0	55.0	67	73	40		
W.Va.	: 1/ 12.0	38.0		ma cui ma				
N.C.	: <u>I</u> / 9.9	32.0	50.0	63	58			
S.C. 1/	: 8.9	37.0		68	65	49		
Ga.	: 1/, 8.6	38.0	57.0 58.0		65			
Fla.	: I/ 11.0	44.5		65	65	50		
S.A.	9.7	38.2	55.4	67.1	63.4	41.3		
Ку.	: 10.0	33.0	55.0					
Tenn.	: 10.5	38.0	56.0					
Ala.	: 10.5 : 1/, 8.7	39.0	56.0	70	70	50		
Miss.	: 1/ 8.5	37.5	47.0					
E.S.C.	: 8.8	37.4	54.4					
Ark.	1/ 9.7 1/ 9.5 13.0 1/ 8.5	1.0 5	52.0	60	68	50  43 1/40		
La.	: 4/ 19.5	43.5	56.0	60	68	1.0		
Okla.	1/ 13.0	30.5	54.0 53.0	62 1/ 55	1/65	1 / 40		
Texas	1/ 0.5	37.0	53.0	56.1	66.0	1/ 40		
W.S.C.	9.3	37.0	53.0	70.1		45.5		
Mont.	: 19.0	37.5	47.0		70	50		
Idaho	: 14.0	41.5	50.0 58.0			50		
Wyo.	: 17.5	35.0	58.0 57.0	70	64			
Colo. N.Mex.	: 15.0 :	33.0	57.0 	70				
Ariz.	18.0	44.5	48.0		65 64			
Utah	14.0	40.0	50.0		70	45		
- Mount.	14.9	38.8	53.1	~ ~ ~	68.6	46.4		
Wash. 1/	: 13.0	44.0	53.1 45.5		60			
Oreg. 1/	: 13.0 : 15.5	36.5	44.0	50 60	65	40		
Calif. 1/	: 13.0	37.0	52.0		55	45		
Pac.	: 13.5	38.4	49.4	59.8	57.0	43.0		
U.S.	9.9	36.2	51.4	60.0	63.5	41.9		
	f the 15th of	the month.	1					
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		By mont	chs :		Cumulat	ive
Month	1, 1,99	1960_	:Change from: : last year :	19501.	1 1960	: Change from : last year
February March April May June July August September October November	Thou.  Thou.  154,011  150,184  183,457  180,639  175,142  169,356  166,421  149,932  122,069  121,660  129,729  141,520	Thou.  160,709 160,487 175,360	Pct. + 4 + 7 - 4	Thou.  154,011 304,195 487,652 660,291 843,433 1,012,789 1,179,210 1,329,142 1,451,211 1,572,871 1,702,600 1,884,120	Thou.  160,709 321,196 496,556	Thou. Pct. + 6,698 + 4 + 17,001 + 6
August	: 35,814 : 35,814 : 61,423 : 117,836 : 129,598 : 85,782 : 27,240 : 13,984 : 13,404 : 13,818 : 14,290 : 13,465 : 14,338	23,687 38,336 72,782	-34 -38 -38	35,814 97,237 215,073 344,671 430,453 457,693 471,677 485,081 498,899 513,189 526,654 540,992	23,687 62,023 134,805	- 35,214 -36
March April May June July August September October November	: 189,825 : 211,607 : 301,293 : 310,237 : 260,924 : 196,596 : 180,405 : 163,336 : 135,887 : 135,950 : 143,194 : 155,858	184,396 198,823 248,142	- 3 - 6 -18	189,825 401,432 702,725 1,012,962 1,273,886 1,470,482 1,650,887 1,814,223 1,950,110 2,086,060 2,229,254 2,305,112	184,396 383,219 631,361	- 18,213 - 5

Chicken eggs in incubators April 1, 1960

Geographic	:		Percent change from April 1,	, 1959
divisions	: -	Broiler-type	: Egg-type :	Total eggs
New England Middle Atlantic East North Central West North Central South Atlantic East South Central	: : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :	- 12 0 - 17 - 21 - 4 - 3	- 17 - 25 - 28 - 26 - 25 - 39	- 14 - 16 - 24 - 26 - 6 - 7
West South Central Mountain Pacific United States	: -	- 14 + 16 - 5	- 32 - 32 - 23 - 27	- 17 - 18 - 14

Poults hatched and turkey eggs in incubators

Geographic divisions	: Whit :heavy b : 1959	reeds 1/:1960 2/	: 1959	reeds 1,:1960 2,		reeds 1,:1900 2,	: 1959	:1960 2/
Poults hatched during March New England	: Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Middle Atlantic East North Central West North Central	: 63 : 311 : 1,105	80 547 1,373	123 886 3,819	124 1,049 4,549	186 1,197 4,924	204 1,596 5,522	1 <b>7</b> 8 429	12 79 278
South Atlantic South Central West	: 82 : 185 : 182	217 213 155	444 718 3,308	442 1,092 3,639	526 903 3 <b>,</b> 490	659 1,305 3,794	799 181 177	418 34 136
United States	: 1,964	2,640	9,307	10,900	11,271	13,540	1,769	958
Turkey eggs in incubators April 1 New England Middle Atlantic East North Central West North Central South Atlantic South Central West	200 : 200 : 317 : 949 : 2,424 : 292 : 364 : 221	227 262 1,320 2,376 375 544 246	39 337 2,587 8,094 1,343 2,366 6,423	49 265 2,320 <b>8,11</b> 0 999 1,909 6,376	235 654 3,536 10,518 1,635 2,730 6,644	276 527 3,640 10,486 1,374 2,453 6,622	2 25 351 664 1,410 379 283	2 35 181 456 674 103 218
United States	: 4,767	5,350	21,189	20,028	25,950	25,378	3,114	1,669

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Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

	: By	months		*	Cumulati	.ve	
Month	1959	1960 2/	:Change from : last year		: 1960 2/	: Change from : last year	n
Heavy white breeds 1/	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou	Thou.		ct.
January February March April May June July August September October November December	1,141 1,094 1,964 2,818 3,661 3,078 2,065 1,004 772 863 1,192 1,238	1,181 1,524 2,640	+ 4 +39 +34	1,141 2,235 4,199 7,017 10,678 13,756 15,821 16,825 17,597 18,460 19,652 20,890	1,181 2,705 5,345	+ 470 +2	4 21 27
Other heavy breeds 1/ January February March April May June July August September October November December	1,283 3,454 9,307 13,303 13,172 8,514 2,244 2,244 86 46 114 376 857	1,929 5,365 10,900	+50 +55 +17	1,283 4,737 14,044 27,347 40,519 49,033 51,277 51,363 51,409 51,523 51,899 52,756	1,929 7,294 18,194	+2,557 +	50 54 30
Total all heavy breeds January February March April May June July August September October November December	2,424 4,548 11,271 16,121 16,833 11,592 4,309 1,090 818 977 1,568 2,095	3,110 6,889 13,540	÷28 +51 +20	2,424 6,972 18,243 34,364 51,197 62,789 67,098 68,188 69,006 69,983 71,551 73,646	3,110 9,999 23,539	+3,027 +1	28 43 29

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Month	1959	By months: : 1960 2/ : :	Change from last year	•	Cumulative : 1960 2/: : :	Change fr	
Light breeds 1/ January February March April May June July August September October November December	: Thou. : 1,540 : 1,360 : 1,769 : 1,943 : 2,434 : 2,160 : 1,856 : 1,068 : 387 : 317 : 363 : 559	Thou. 545 781 958	Pet 65 - 43 - 46	Thou.  1,540 2,900 4,669 6,612 9,046 11,206 13,062 14,130 14,517 14,834 15,197 15,756	Thou. 545 1,326 2,284	Thou 995 -1,574 -2,385	Pet. - 65 - 54 - 51
Total all breeds 1/ January February March April May June July August September October November December	: 3,964 : 5,908 : 13,040 : 18,064 : 19,267 : 13,752 : 6,165 : 2,158 : 1,205 : 1,294 : 1,931 : 2,654	3,655 7,670 14,498	- 8 + 30 + 11	3,964 9,872 22,912 40,976 60,243 73,995 80,160 82,318 83,523 84,817 86,748 89,402	3,655 11,325 25,823	- 309 +1,453 +2,911	- 8 + 15 + 13

<sup>1/</sup> Heavy white breeds include heavy white-feathered breeds, such as Broad white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, and crosses with light white breeds. All other heavy breeds are reported under "other". Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff, Royal Palm and wild turkeys.

2/ Preliminary.

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